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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a 2-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed February 24, 2004, said period of response being extended from June 24, 2004 to July 24, 2004.

Our check in the amount of \$310.00 is enclosed to cover the balance due for the required extension fee for large entity status.

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Respectfully submitted,

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